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SUBJECT: NICARAGUAN PROTEST AGAINST CONSUMERS' BOYCOTT OF COFFEE

1. EMBASSY HAS JUST RECEIVED LETTER DATED JANUARY 13 FROM CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES RELAYING TEXT OF TELEGRAM IT SENT SAME DAY TO NICARAGUAN AMBASSADOR AT UN. THAT TELEGRAM STATES, INTER ALIA, THAT THE CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES (LOWER HOUSE) HAD UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED ON JANUARY 12 THAT "THE BOYCOTT DECLARED IN SOME POWERFUL COUNTRIES AGAINST CONSUMPTION OF COFFEE, MAIN PRODUCT OF ECONOMY OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, CONSTITUTES ECONOMIC AGGRESSION CONTRADICTING ELEMENTAL PRINCIPLES OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC JUSTICE AND VIOLATES RESOLUTIONS OF THE UN AND OTHER SPECIALIZED INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES." TELEGRAM EXPRESSED HOPE THAT UN AMBASSADOR WOULD BRING RESOLUTION TO ATTENTION OF PROPER

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AUTHORITIES AND TO AMBASSADORS OF OTHER COUNTRIES WITH VIEW TO CREATING COMMON FRONT AGAINST THE BOYCOTT.

2. ON JANUARY 12, EMBASSY RECEIVED LETTER FROM A COFFEE GROWERS COOPERATIVE (NOT THE MAJOR GROWERS' ASSOCIATION) ALLEGING THAT US CONSUMERS' BOYCOTT OF COFFEE IS IN VIOLATION OF USG COMMITMENTS UNDER INTERNATIONAL COFFEE AGREEMENT, CITING ARTICLES 1 AND 2 OF

AGREEMENT TO BUTTRESS ARGUMENT. LETTER ASKED THAT AMBASSADOR THEBERGE
URGE US AUTHORITIES TO BAN THE BOYCOTT. LOCAL PRESS CARRIED ARTICLE
REPORTING THAT THIS LETTER HAD BEEN SENT TO EMBASSY.

3. EMBASSY PLANS TO RESPOND TO COOPERATIVE'S LETTER POINTING OUT
THAT USG HAS NO LEGAL WAY, EVEN IF IT WISHED TO DO SO, TO STOP
PRIVATE CONSUMERS FROM BOYCOTTING A PRODUCT WHOSE PRICE THEY CON-
SIDER UNREASONABLY HIGH. EMBASSY WILL NOTE, MOREOVER, THAT USG WILL
CONTINUE TO LIVE UP TO ITS INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS.
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